cars, two-wheelers and three-wheelers leading to a glut in the market, as far as commercial vehicles are concerned;

(b) whether it is a fact that while some brands of passenger cars and two-wheelers continue to command a premium there are glut conditions in other brands of these vehicles;

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor and whether Government will review their automobile policy to remove these imbalances; and

(d) whether attention will be given by Government to indigenisation and fuel efficiency while formulating a new automobile policy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Production plans are finalised by the manufactures taking into account the demand for vehiles.

(b) and (c) While possibility of premium on some vehicles cannot be denied, no specific instance has been brought to the notice of the Govt.

(d) Yes, Sir.

Grant of new licence to M/s. T.T.K. & Co.

677. SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) Whether Government have granted new licences to M/s T.T.K. & Co. during 1986 to diversity its production to item of domestic use;

(b) Whether it is a fact that complaints against T.T.K. & Co. are pending with MRTPC, if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if so, what action Government have taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) During the period Jan—May, 1986, one Letter of Intent has been issued to M/s. T.T.K. & Co. for the establishment of a new undertaking for the manufacture of (i) Pressure Cookers-67,000 Nos., (ii) Barbecue-70,000 nos. (iii) Kitchenware Tools and gadgets-Rs. 50 lakhs worth, and (iv) Non-stick cookware and woks etc.-1,50,000 nos. per annum. No industrial licence has been issued during this period to the said company.

(b) and (c) The following two matters in respect of the aforesaid company are pending with M.R.T.P. Commission namely:—

(i) An enquiry under Section 10 (a) (iv) of the MRTP Act, 1969 in respect of certain restrictive trade practices. The Commission has issued the Notice of Enquiry to the company and the hearing in the matter is fixed for 29th August, 1986.

(ii) An application by Director general (I&R) under Section 36B (c) of the MRTP Act in respect of certain unfair trade practices in the sale of products of the company. The commission has directed the Director General (I & R) to make investigation from manufacturers of similar products also and to furnish his report.

Import of telecommunications equipments

678. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Department of Telecommunications is planning to import telecommunications equipments worth reupees seven hundred crores for use in the telecommunication services in the country; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for such imports?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) Yes, Sir. The Department proposes to import equipment worth Rs. 572 crores in foreign currency for use in the Telecom. Services in the coutry.

(b) The import of Telecom. equipment has been necessitated in order to